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**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

In re Application of	:	
Jacquelyn A. Westley, Dean Jones,	:	
Ian Andrews	:	
Application No. 10/760,527	:	DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: January 21, 2004	:	UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Attorney Docket No. 118287	:	

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed July 20, 2004.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is GRANTED.

The above-identified application was filed on January 21, 2004, without a fully executed oath or declaration. Accordingly, on April 29, 2004, the Initial Patent Examination Division mailed a "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application", requiring a fully executed oath or declaration as well as the surcharge for its late filing. This notice set a shortened statutory period for reply of two months.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) requires: (1) proof that the non-signing inventor(s) cannot be reached or refuses to sign the oath or declaration after having been presented with the application papers (specification, claims and drawings); (2) an acceptable oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63;

(3) the petition fee; and (4) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventor(s).

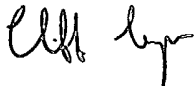
On petition, Rule 47 applicant has attested that a copy of the application papers was forwarded to the last known address of Westley. According to Rule 47 applicant, no executed declaration from Westley has been received.

On petition, Rule 47 applicant has satisfied the requirements of 37 CFR 1.47(a). The declaration submitted has been determined to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. Accordingly, the above-identified application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the last known address provided in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 1742 for docketing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0272.



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